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By His Excellency
Thomas Chittenden Esqr —
Captain-General Governor and Commander in Chief,
and over the State of Vermont.

A. P R O C L A M A T I O N

As public praise and gratitude ever become public
Bodies, on the receipt of the distinguished Beneficence of
GOD - I have thought fit, by the Advice of Council, and
at the request of the General Assembly, to appoint and
I do hereby appoint Thursday, the second Day of
December next, as a Day of December next, as
a Day of public T H A N K S G I V I N G, to be observ-
- ed throughout this State: And I do hereby earn-
- estly recommend to all persons residing therein
the same, carefully to observe said Day - that we
may, with united Hearts, render Thanksgiving
and Praise to divinely bountiful Benefactor,
for all his Mercies, both of a public and private Nature,
exercised towards us in the Course of the year past;
particularly, that he has been pleased to continue to us
religious Privileges and Enjoyments, and to exalt
and sweeten them by so plentiful and extensive
an Effusion of his holy Spirit, in his convincing
and Sanctifying Influences within this State, as
well as in other Places - that he has been pleased
to turn the Hearts of the Nation to Peace - that he
has established it, and by so doing changed the
Condition of the American States from Anxiety and
Distress, to Confidence and Tranquility: and that we,
in this State, so sensibly experience the Greatness of the
Change - that the intestine Commotions of the State are
so happily quieted - that civil Government is so perma-
- nently established - its Blessings so richly enjoyed -
and the Blessings of it so greatly increased by the plentiful

protection of the Earth: at the same time, in a
humble sense of our ill deserts, to implore his for-
giveness of our multiplied transgressions - the contin-
uation and increase of his blessings on us, both as
individuals, and as a People - the establishment of
righteousness throughout the states of America - his
blessing on their Interests and Allies - the universal
spread of his holy Religion in its purity - and
tranquility and joy to the World
And all servile Labour is hereby strictly forbidden
on said day
Given under my Hand in the Council Chamber
at Trenton this 16th day of October in the Year
of our Lord 1784 and in the Eighth Year of our
Independence

Thomas Stillenden

By his Excellency's Command

Thomas Solmon Secretary

GOD. SAVE. THE. PEOPLE.